

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claims 1-4, Cancelled)

Claim 5 (Currently Amended)

A sink comprising:

a basin having a bottom with an opening;

a separation vessel communicating with said opening into which wastewater flows, therein separating oil content from said wastewater based on the difference in specific gravity between said oil content and water;

a water storage vessel forming a letter U-shaped passage as a whole together with said separation vessel and storing said wastewater sent from said separation vessel up to a predetermined water level;

a draining means to make flooding water from said water storage vessel flow out; and

an open/close means provided at the side of said ~~water storage~~ separation vessel for recovering said separated oil content floating, inside said separation vessel, at space corresponding to said predetermined water level.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented)

The sink as claimed in Claim 5,

wherein said draining means has a structure with a buffer vessel, which is formed between said separation vessel and said water storage vessel, for buffering a stream of said flooding water.

Claim 7 (Previously Presented)

The sink as claimed in Claim 5,

wherein said separation vessel and said water storage vessel are adjacent each other with a common partition member for forming said letter U-shaped passage, and said draining means has a structure with an inlet formed at position of said predetermined water level on a circumferential side wall of said water storage vessel and a pipe-shaped member formed out so as to connect said inlet and outside of said water storage vessel.

Claim 8 (Previously Presented)

The sink as claimed in Claim 5,

wherein said separation vessel and said water storage vessel are adjacent each other with a common partition member for forming said letter U-shaped passage, and said draining means has a structure with an inlet formed at

position of said predetermined water level within said water storage vessel and a pipe-shaped member formed therein so as to connect said inlet and outside of said water storage vessel.

Claim 9 (New)

The sink as claimed in Claim 5, further comprising:

a second open/close means provided in a side of said separation vessel for depleting sedimentary garbage in said separation vessel, at a place below said predetermined water level.